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because it gets political. I can tell you that people in the Upper Republican NRD around Imperial have a totally different attitude on water than they do in the Lower Republican NRD which goes from Alma to Superior, Nebraska. So I would be open to answer any questions. I did put these two amendments into one this morning to try and save the body a little time. I would welcome questions or comments. It's not my perspective that this should be controversial, but I've been wrong before. So with that, I would welcome any comments, questions, and would ask you to support this, take a look at the concept, and thank you for your time.

SPEAKER KRISTENSEN: Senator Cudaback. Senator Jones...or Senator Smith, excuse me. Senator Smith.

SENATOR SMITH: Thank you, Mr. Speaker, members. Would Senator Schrock yield to a question?

SENATOR SCHROCK: I would, Senator Smith.

SENATOR SMITH: In Section 2, it specifies the membership of the Water Policy Task Force: 20 irrigators with at least one irrigator from each of the state's 13 river basins, giving considering to maintaining a balance between surface and ground water users. These irrigators are to be selected as follows. And I couldn't help but notice that the North Platte River Basin and...excuse me...it is on there. I apologize. I yield back the balance of my time.

SPEAKER KRISTENSEN: Senator Beutler.

SENATOR BEUTLER: Senator Kristensen, members of the Legislature, I'm very happy the Natural Resources Committee is doing this, and it is obviously a timely matter with everything that's happening on the Platte River and on the Republican River and the changes that are coming down in the not too distant future. And I think the water study is probably as well structured as it can be. It certainly seeks to incorporate everybody's interest. I wanted to ask Senator Schrock one question on a small detail, and you may perceive my self-interest here, but on page 3, lines 11 and 12, where it